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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2004 (Paper No. 2), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid			Number Extra Claims Present	Rate		Additional Fee
Total	21	-	66*	=		X		
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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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